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any address fire weeks for 10 cents. The "National Republican" in Virginia

The transfer of the Richmond Whig to Democratic hands leaves the NATIONAL Republican the sole representative in daily journalism of anti-bourbon ideas in Virginla. It will endeavor to fill the breach, and to that end will devote increased attention to the affairs of the Old Dominion Its vigilant and efficient correspondent at the state capital will watch the legislative and executive nets of the now dominan party with the same fairness-but vigitance -that is devoted at the national capital by the home staff of this paper.

The Virginia ediSon published every Satur-day, eight paper, virtuefour columns, \$1.50 per year. In clube of few or more \$1 per year.

FLORIDA land swindling will soon b numbered with the lost arts.

Grs. Hazrs mustn't try to swear this of states. thing off on the ground hog. It looks too much like the general.

A STEAM Isimeli and a corporal and file of marines should be sent at once to Colon,

where trouble is brewing. HAVING shown what he is capable of in

head of the weather bureau will now let up for awhile. WHETHER home rule comes sooner or later, one thing is certain, it holds the road and will block the way till its hour of vic-

When a Minnesota "cold wave" collides with a Texas "depression" and the "mean relative humidity" is meaner than usual we always have frightful weather. As a sanitary measure it might be expe-

dient to have the bath rooms at the capitol furnished with appliances for electric baths for the special benefit of Pan-Electric states-GEN, BUTLER and candidate St. John may

be interested in the statement of the Boston Health that in 1888 the Mugwamps will vote neither the Republican nor the Democratic

By untiring industry and rigid economy In must be admitted-to the credit of H.

B. M .- that when occasion demands the effort, she can make a square meal of crow with a better grace than any other sovereign THERE is at least one man in Washington

who would gladly have saved the life of the western farmer who committed saicide beeause he had too much money, and did not know how to take care of it.

Ir Boston is really going to establish school for instruction in orntory, she ought not to overlook the Hon. Geo. D. Wise in the selection of professors. The Bay state can afford to be just to the Old Dominion.

THE Baltimore American is doing good public service by advocating the reduction of marriage license tees in the state of Maryland. Thousands of anxious couples are waiting in aching suspense for the tax to come down.

Ir the Poles in Posen were herds of cattle grazing on forbidden ground, instead of a brave, patriotic people living on their native soil. Bismarck could not proceed more deliberately, resolutely, and shall we say diabolically, in the work of eviction.

THE best way to make new statues for the adorement of this capital would be to melt down and recast some of the brass men on brass horses which now offend the sight of citizens and strangers. Perpetration of outrages on art has been carried far

What with the field batteries of the army, the broadside batteries of the navy, and the Pan-Electric batteries of the Department of Justice, our defensive appliances are so ample that "ex-President" Tilden may well excuse himself from writing another message on fortifications.

that there is scarcely a limit to the possibilities of invention in the use of electricity as a motor. This being the case, it is not impossible that the Democratic party, which came in on a wave of reform in 1884, will go out on a telephone in 1838.

In the opinion of the Globe-Democrat ! was entirely superfluous for Mr. Eaton to add to his letter resigning the office of civil service commissioner an assurance that be is and always has been a Republican, because the mere fact of resignation is quite enough to prove that he is not a Democrat.

Wines the Republican party was in power the Democracy was accustomed to make a Chimborasa out of every little speck of official scandol that could be microscopically detected. Beturning good for evil the itsa reversed telescope.

per cent. in 1885," says 30r, William F. | putable private citizen or any other official switzler, the Democratic chief of the but to be disabled by a wound. We are there-

cau of statistics, "has been caused mainly by the decline in the prices of goods subject specific duties upon which are imposed high rates of duty.

A Stirring Silver Enlande.

During the summer and autumn muci as said in sandry organs of monometal lism concerning a great change that was al-leged to be going on in the Democratic mind on the question of allver coinage. It was asserted and reasserted in a thousand different shapes that a reaction had set in. and that, by the time for the assembling of the forty-ninth Congress, the Democratic House of Representatives, responding to the adical change in public opinion, would be THE WEEKLY, with all the news of the capital, found ready to indorse and support the anti-silver policy of the administrat was said that the great northwest had come round; that the south had been convinced of its folly; that the southwest was following in the same direction, and that only the

cific slope was left in darkness. But when Congress assembled there was et a single visible sign that any change of mind on the silver question had happened except that the opposition to the suspension of the coinage of the standard dollar had been infensified. The National Republican made a poll of the House and found that the majority against the administration on this issue was literally overwhelming, Yesterday something like a test was had, and the administration got such a rebuke as has seldom been administered to any administration by a House supposed to be in olitical accord with the Executive.

In our news columns will be found the graphic story of this remarkable episode. Mr. Bland's resolutions, which were alopted by a majority of eighty, not only arraign the administration for what it has done or neglected to do in relation to sliver, but they go to the extreme-we may say the unrecedented length - of demanding that administration shall state to the House what policy it proposes to pursue in future on this great subject. If the administration believes with Katisha that-

There is beauty in the bellow of the blost There is glory in the growling of the gale, There is eloquent outpouring When the Ilon is a roaring

And the timer is a lasifing of its tall. why, then, the administration will continue to advocate and work for the policy of suspension-a policy sternly con-demned by the House when the Presidentelect wrote his famous silver letter, a year ago, and even more ponderously set down

Logan on Dakota.

Gen. Logan's speech in the Senate yes-terday on the Dakota bill was an unanswer-able argument in favor of the immediate admission of that territory into the family

He showed that she was in all respects prepared for and worthy of promotion to full statehood and that, in admitting her without the preliminary of an enabling act, Congress would be following a line of eleven precedents.

In his masterly review of the speeches made by Messrs. Butler and Vest against the way of snow storms, it is hoped that the the bill, Gen. Logan was an severe as the easion required, and that is saying a good deal, for it has seldom happened that the Senate has heard speeches so unworthy of the men who made them as were these bitterly and blindly partisan efforts of the senator from South Carolina and the senator from Missouri. It is doubtful if the Conessimual Record contains any other speeches which their authors will recall, in coming years, with so little satisfaction as Messrs. Butler and Vest will experience when, a few years hence, they visit the great state of Dakota.

Presidential Inability.

One of the most serious of all the grave nestions which have been discussed in the enate since the forty-ninth Congress came in is that of presidential "inability." In the opinion of many thoughtful statesmen in both houses of Cougress, as well as of thousands of private citizens who have thoroughly studied the workings of our government, the greatest danger in our nait is possible to keep the aggregate of tax-tional future lies, not in the electoral able property in the United States just count, important as that certainly is, but shead of the total of claims filed in the in the neglect of Congress to provide for the ascertainment and declaration of the beginning and the end of presidential "in-

The constitution provides that in case of removal, death, resignation, or inability of the President the Vice President is to succeed to the powers and duties of the presidential office. There is no difficulty in determining when a vacancy exists by reason of either of the first three causesremoval, death, resignation—but a thou-sand difficulties are liable to arise at any time with respect to a succession on ac-

count of "inability." Senator Ingalls has given much thought to this and other questions relating to the esidency as treated in the constitution. In his short speech on Monday last he showed the necessity for a constitutional amendment doing away with the farcical plan of electing by electors who do not elect On the question of inability he expressed himself with entire frankness. He thought there was no doubt that in 1881, from the 2d day of July until the 19th day of Sentember in that year, the inability of President Garfield was absolute under the con itution in the full meaning of that term. 'He was sequestered for eighty days, in a seclusion as silent as the tomb to which he was soon to be consigned. He was incapable of performing any executive act as his marble effigy in the hall of statues, that is o transmit to posterity the memory of his aphs and of his martyrdom. Only once luring that long period did his failing hand ace in wavering characters the letters of his name. Here was a case of absolute in ability under the constitution. The event contemplated by the constitution had oc-urred." Mr. Ingalls added that, in his opinion, when James A. Garfield sank to the floor of the railroad station penetrated by the builet of the assassin, the powers and duties of the presidential office de-

eeded to that office on the announcement of the closing scene at Elberon. We were without an executive head. There was no law governing that subject. And yet less any one who recalls the simplering pasions of that epoch suppose for an instant that had there been any emergency, any exigency requiring the performance of executive func-tions, Mr. Chester A. Arthur could have gone the door of the white house and peaceabl stead upon the discharge of the powers an ties that had devolved upon him under th citution 7 I do not. I am convinced that Buy such altempt on his part while the breath of the remained in the body of James A. Gar-field would have precipilated a convulsion in our politics that would have been pregnant with inducement disasters and perils to the re-

volved, under the constitution, upon Chester A. Arthur, and that we had no

President until the Vice President suc

For reasons inherent in human nature, the highest efficer in the republic is and always must be peculiarly exposed to personal injury at the hands of homicidal vagrants and political functies. Such inability as publican party, out of power, is inclined to | curred in the case of President Garfield look at Democratic official scainfals through would have happened in the case of Lincoln a reversed telescope. would have happened in the case of Lincoln slight change in the direction of the fatal "This increase in the annual average ad | built. At any hour of any day the Presivalueem rate of duty on dutiable morehan-dise from 41.762 per cent. in 1884 to 56.674 or unpopular, is more likely than any re-

fore taking great risks by leaving the determination of the existence and duration of inability to the Vice President, or to

Suppose, under the severe mental strain to which the President is subjected, his mind gives way. Suppose we have a lunsto or an imbecile in the presidential office, ut profoundly impressed with the idea that he is stronger and wiser than he over was before. This may happen. In fact, there is a serious danger of trouble from the mperative duty of Congress to bridge the chasm created by the framers of the funda-

It is only worthy the man who talks in his sleep to say: "The age of miracles is past." Edison evolves wonders still at a rapid rate. He seems absolute master of electricity, and his last command to that powerful slave-more difficult to execute than any previous-has been instantly and completely accomplished, namely, to transmit messages from swiftly moving trains of cars and receive back answers. On the Staten Island rallroad, Monday, and in the presence of many leading railway managers and business men, the first experi-ment was made with this remarkable discovery. Passengers sent messages inquiring the price of stocks at that moment or oncerning the welfare of friends at home. The answers came promptly and correctly, all the while the train dashing on. Who may imagine now anything impossible to electricity? The subtle current is transmitted by induction back and forth between the metallic roof of the train, charged for the purpose, and the wires along the track. These are ordinarily twenty-five or thirty feet distant. Hereafter train dispatchers will be in direct communication with moving trains, anywhere on the road. Edison ave that such communication can be made five hundred feet as well as thirty, and be hopes to correspond between ships at sea twenty-five or thirty miles distant.

A SENATOR, arguing against open session on nominations, is reported by the New York Herelet's Washington correspondent as saying : "You don't know what you are doing. The thing is too filthy; we senators have often had to hold our noses to keep from getting sick at the stomach in executive sersions. Don't, for heaven's sake nels to have this whole load of dirt dumped on the public." If "the thing" is half had as that it is high time to resort to the purifying influences of light and alr. ecret session ought to be abolished, as a

Custors and perhaps suggestive is the facthat at the close of the last fiscal year there were on the pension rolls 2,945 survivors of the erved in that war. - Ecchange.

It is suggestive of the pleasing thought that the last days of many an old campalgner were cheered by the smiles of a very young and extremely healthy wife.

THE sentiment of Texas on the silver question is voiced in the red-hot anti-administration speech of Representative Mills delivered in the House vesterday. It will be seen that Mr. Mills has not cooled down since he denounced the sliver letter of the President-elect last February in the fortyeighth Congress.

Mn. Mills quotes from Lincoln's Gettysurg speech as from one of "the fathers." Well, that is not so bad, for "the boys" used to sing:

We are coming, Father Abraham. Three hundred thousand strong.

Ir is cheerfully predicted that the time is not far distant when the House of Repre-sentatives will begin to think it probable that it would not be a bad idea to consider the propriety of work as one of the possible contingencies of its glorious future

If it was all right for senators and repre sentatives to let themselves be loaded with Pan-Electric, why did Senator Vance get righteously indignant when it was errone ously intimated that he had been Pan-Electrified by Dr. Rogers?

It is an important fact that 378 out of the

591 iron furnaces in the country, or about two-thirds, are in Atlantic states, and are liable to be closed by the change of duties which the free traders are threatening. HERE's glorious news for Ohio Dem crats! A new coal oil well in that state is throwing up the great source of their pros

WHEN the Democrats were in minority in the House their chief aim was to obstruct legislation. Being now in majority their main object appears to be the waste of time.

perity in a column that reaches a height of

MR. GLADSTONE has completed the work of forming a cabinet. It will not be entirely satisfactory, but is probably the best that could be done under the circumstances.

THE only indication of industry in the uth end of the capitol is the sound of the tariff tinker's hammer in Col. Morrison' committee room.

Telephone Talk. The whole business is the most disgrace-ful and brazen piece of official corruption and dishonesty ever known. And its shame attaches to the whole administration, of which Attorney General Garland is, and continues to be, a prominent part.—Pough-keepnie Engle.

The administration has been in existence The auministration has been in existence one mouth less than a year, during which time rascallties and scandals have come to light, perpetrated by the new occupants, that quite equal the sum of the whole charged against the Republicans in the entire term of their occupancy.—Pittsburg

Now would be a good opportunity for President Cleveland to exhibit some of that remarkable rigidity of spinal column which was said to distinguish him above other men. Will be have the courage to demand Attorney Garland's resignation without some petty pretext for sending him abroad as a foreign minister?—Screnton (Pa.) Remobilizer.

It is again reported that the President is "somewhat annoyed" at the attacks on Gen. Garland. He is furthermore reported to have been "rather astonished" at Lamar's decision to ask for a government suit in the Pan-Electric interests. Both of these statements are highly credible.—New Hance Polludium.

In the opinion of many he (Garland) has been guitty of malfeasance in office, and, so far as that opinion reigns, the administration suffers detriment. \*\* = \*\* Did a Calinet with so much aggregate brain ever before amass so great a reputation for blundering \*\*-Speacase Stoudard\*\*.

Those Pan-Electric statesmen are hungry They only wanted the offices as a means to get something that paid better,—Rochester

The Democratic House approaches the investigation of the telephone scandal with much the same feeling that a boy has when his companions bully him into thrusting his hade into a hollow tree after a 'possum. He hopes it is a 'possum, but fears it may be a polecat.—Philadelphia Press.

Made Up of Statesmen.

[New York World,] It will be observed that the Pan-Electric Telephone Company, as organized by the classic and scientific Rogers, was made up almost exclusively of statesmen and politicians. The "business men" who sometimes appear at the front of these gigantic organizations seem to have been studicusly overlooked.

THE UNION PACIFIC'S STATUS. Debtor to the United States Accord-Eing to the Covernment Directors.

The report of the government directors of

the Union Pacific Railway Company has been received by Secretary Lamar. The road, says the report, is debter of the government, the amount being eserved by a cond mortgage upon a portion of the company's property, which calls for some egislative action to secure the payment of it upon a proper estimate of the value of the property. The number of miles operated by the Union Pacific system is 5,140. In the bended debt is included the \$35,140,-In the bonded debt is included the \$35,140,000 United States subsidy bonds issued in aid of the Union Pacific, and \$16,564,331 balance of Interest on the same. The gross carnings on the whole system for the year ending Sept. 30, 1885, were \$28,604,108, and expenses and taxes \$17,-747,000. The gross debt, bonded, floating, and United States, is \$80,908. The branchillie system of the company is commended, and is, says the report, valuable to the company. The debt of the road is growing larger year by year, and nuder the present larger year by year, and under the present condition the government has the power to precipitate the company into bankruptey. To avoid such a calamity legislation to determine the relations of the railway to the overnment is urged. The course o government is urged. The course of the government should be that which any practical business man would pursue with a private debtor in a similar situation. The government should reserve the right to take up the underlying first-mortgage bonds of the company when they fall due and acquire the lien which those bonds have upon the property. It would make the lien of the government upon the whole system absolute and entire, and, as the government can borrow money at 3 per cent, it would reduce the fixed charges upon the property about \$1.090,000 per annum below the present, requirements. This saying would soon retire the whole issue of bonds about \$35,000,000.

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Under the existing laws the annual payments by the railway company to the government are made to depend upon the net carnings of the company, but the amount of annual payments should be fixed by Congress. The government cannot undertake to manage the company in whole, and should not assume any partial responsibility, but may feel entire confidence that it is in no danger of losing the debt. The company claims that, had it been left alone, it would have been free of all obligations. The directors confidently recommend early action, and that it should be based upon the principles of the Hoar bill, the period being fixed at eighty years. Under the continued operation of the Thurman bill some further legislation would still be absolutely necessary before the maturity of the debt.

JUDGE MERRICK'S CASE.

His Near Approach to the Allotted Span of Life Interfering With His Confirmation.

Senators Pugh and Edmunds called on the President on Tuesday relative to the commation of Judge Merrick, and informed him of the sentiment existing in the committee against the appointment of men whose age would soon fit them for retirement. The President is reported to have said that Judge Merrick had given satisfac-tion, but did not indicate his purpose to onsider his age an objection, or to with-

raw the nomination, Senator Edmunds, the chairman of the Senator Edmunds, the chairman of the Senate committee on judiciary, was seen by a NATIONAL REPUBLICAN reporter yester-day, and his attention called to the state-ments made regarding the case of Judge Merrick, which is now before the Senate for confirmation. The alleged interviews rela-tive to the case purporting to have been held with members of that committee and other senators were referred to, and the held with members of that committee and other senators were referred to, and the senator was asked about them. He said, very pronouncedly, that he knew nothing of them. "I can tell you nothing about that case," said he, "as the rules of the Senate and my honorable position will not allow me to make public any information relative to such cases. If any senator, or other member of the judiciary committee, has done so I have no knowledge, but I cannot tell you anything. When there is anything to give out the press will get it, but these interviews relating to this get it, but these interviews relating to this and other cases have not come from mc." Scnator Edmunds was very emphatic in de-nouncing bogus interviews, and spoke as though but little information had been given out by senators, as they would not, he thought, violate the confidence and rules of the Senate. It should never be said that

MRS. HUNT'S REMARKS.

Brisk Debate in the Senate on Printing a Temperance Argument.
In the Senate yesterday Mr. Blair asked that 1,000 copies of the argument submitted to the committee on education and labor in favor of the bill to require that public school pupils in the District shall be taught the effects of alcoholic liquors upon the physical system be printed. Objection was made, and, after a spirited debate as to the right to and, after a spirited debate as to the right to have arguments or testimony printed, Senator Blair said that the matter was valuable, and it would do the Senate good to read it. The bill was favored, not by the grog shops or their friends, but by the conservative Christian element who are opposed to the liquor traffic. Senator Morgan said that the shop men and whisky-drinking men had as much right to be heard as any lady or any clergyman. If arguments on various questions were to be printed, let the doors be opened; let all be heard. The motion to print was finally The motion to print was finally

adopted. -The torturing painful desease, neuralgia, i instantly, relieved, and rapidly cured by Salva ion Oil. At all druggists. Price twenty-five

Signal Service for Farmers. The Chinese New Year. The Chinese celebrated yesterday the 6,76ttl ister had invitations sent out for a grand din-ner in honor of the occasion, but recalled them in consequence of the death of Mrs. Bayard. Among the laundrymen the day was spent in festivity. nniversary of Conficius. The Chinese min AMUSEMENTS.

NEXT WEEK AT THE NATIONAL, The vale of seats for "A Prisoner for Life" pens at the New National Theater this morng. This melodrama has had a phenomenally accessful run in the west. THIS WEEK AT ALEAUGIL'S.

The Jentile Winston Opera Company will coepably till out the week at Albaugh? daying "Boecaccio" to night, "La Fericeoie" riday, "Trebisonde" Saturday matinee, and Boecaccio" Saturday night.

SUNDAY NIGHT AT THE NATIONAL.

A rare treat is promised for Sunday night the National, when Harry W. French, ti-ceston journalist and traveler, will give andsomely illustrated lecture on Paris. Andsomely illustrated lecture on Paris.

THE DIME MUREUM.

Of course, "Handsome Jack" will go on designing the good dime people through this veek. Monday will begin as its days' meriment and wonder with the Adams and Gus Hill Combination Company, being burlesque, ketches, long-pipe imitations on a 3-cent whiste, sopps, dances, club swingings, and trapeze seriormances.

HERZOG'S OFFRA HOUSE, "The Banker's Daughter' is filling Herzog's fally and nightly, the critics to the contrary townshinding. Next week Chanfran is anonneed as "Kit." The two wonderful liquodovers, the "Major" and the "Judge" attending the contrary of the con

PERSONALITIES.

MR. MILLER, commissioner of internal revnue, is confined to his house by illness. CAPT. HENRY L. HOWISON has been ordered command the Vandalla, and Lieuts, W. P. Ray and S. C. Lemly have been ordered to the HARRISON PROBUS, proprietor of the Hygela

Old Point Comfort, and Bishop Thomas A. Starkey and Wife, of Orange, N. J., arrived at he Ebbitt House yesterday. All the Cabinet officers who attended the oneral of Mrs. Bayard have returned to the city. Secretary Bayard has also returned, but

was not at the department yesterday.

Amose the President's callers yesterday were enator Call, Solicitor General Goode, Repre-entatives Anderson, Winans, Randall, Morrow, Vadsworth, Fisher, with George J. Robinson nd Theodore Toohey, of Michigan; Maybury, O'Dennell, with F. B. Taylor and F. C. Sharp, of Michigan, and McMillin, and Rev. T. De Witt Talmage, accompanied by his wife and daughter.

THE ALASKA JUDGESHIP.

Ward McAllister Denies That the President Refused to Hear His Plea for

His Son. It has been stated that President Cleve-land had declined to hear a plea from Ward McAllister, of New York city, on behalf of his son, Judge Ward McAllister, jr., who was appointed United States district judge of Alaska by President Arthur, and re-moved from the office by President Cleveland. The omission of important details from this dispatch leaves the present status of the case in obscurity, while operating as an injustice to the parties most deeply con-

cerned.

Word McAllister, who is in this city, is quoted as having said: "My son's case is now before the judiciary committee of the Senate, and until disposed of in the regular order I do not consider it proper to consent to an interview for newspaper purposes. I am free to say, however, that I was surprised and shocked to see any allusion to it in the papers." It in the papers."
"Is it true that President Cleveland de-clined to listen to a plea from you in his

"The very reverse is the fact. The Presi-"The very reverse is the fact. The President did grant me an interview, and appeared to be satisfied that I had presented a good case. I will give the entire details to you for publication as soon as the Senate committee makes its report."

From other sources the following facts were gleaned: Jeseph Ward McAllister is a young man of 31 years. He is a graduate of the Harvard law school, and was admitted to the bar in New York city, but never practised there. He is a handsome man, of pleasant and engaring manners, and was a

practised there. He is a handsome man, of pleasant and engaging manners, and was a young lion in social circles during the brief time that he remained in New York after his college course. He engaged in the practice of his profession in San Francisco five years ago, as a junior member of the leading firm of McAllister & Bergin, the senior member being his uncle.

Ex-President Arthur, who appointed him judge, said: "He was recommended to me by many of the leading lawyers on the Pacific coast, and the highest testimonials were presented, and the Senate at once confirmed him."

The Trouble at Ascension Church. Entron National Republican: Referring to our article in this morning's Republican ended "A Rector Asked to Resign," I would your article in this morning's REFURLEAN headed "A Rector Asked to Resign," I would like simply to romark that it is my opinion that if the members of Ascousion Church would take upon themselves the duties that belong to them as church members, there would be no complaint of "empty pews" to make. According to my experience in the church, it seems the height of absurding for the congregation to try to shift the responsibility of the present state of affairs from their own shoulders to those of the Roy. Dr. Elliott,

I once was, and without I have been excommunicated for non-attendance I supposa I am still, a member of Ascension Church. Fallott, a member of Ascension Church. Tonce was, and would have been to the present time had I not been frozen out. During those live years I was not able to make a single "church acquaintance." Never, for once, did I see the slightest chance to break through the icy surroundings of that congregation. I spoke of the matter once to Irr. Elliott, for I always found him a most kindly and sympathetic adviser; and he suggested that perhaps the fault was in myself, and that I ought to make an effort. I proceeded to do so. One thing I did was to join to "fould," thinking I would be thrown in contact with other young men. I attended faithfully to my duties as a member of said society until it fell to pleces for want of support from the members of the church. Dr. Elliott was untiring in his clibrato keep this society together. I made no headway in my efforts to "feel at home." And upon this point I will venture to assert that no church can prosper that does not systematically fasten and care for the new material as it couses in, and this is a work that in the main must be done by the people of the church.

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As to Dr. Elliott I always felt myself attracted toward him, believing him to be an earnest and most sympathetic Christian man. I nover had the least doubt as to where the trouble was in my case. It was not because I was not attracted by Dr. Elliott, but it was because of the coldness of the people. I found vary different manners in other churches, and had not rouble in making a place for myself among the people, and as it has been with me. I have no doubt it has been with many others, who, to-day, would have been faithful members of Ascension Church for the safe of Dr. Elliott's good sermons if it had not been for the ley surroundings in the pews.

C. M. H.

The governor of North Carolina said to the

THE governor of North Carolina said to the overnor of South Carolina: "Sir, the best rem dy in the world is Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup," and the latter seconded the assertion.

About Confessions of Crime.

Prof. Lester Fobes, who was conspicuous in the skating rinks in this city in November last, was tried in the criminal court yesterday on westried in the criminal court yesterday on the charge of grand larceny in taking a diamond ring, valued at \$150, from Mrs. Sarah R. Willis. It was shown that Fobes borrowed the ring, representing that the lady's son had save him for it. He took it to a pawnbroker, pawned it for \$50 in the name of the lady's son, and gave her residence. With the money obtained Fobes went to Florida, where he was apprehended and brought back. Fobes admitted getting possession of the ring, and pawning it under the circumstances as proven, claimed that there was no intent to steal, but he intended to redeem the ring when with funds sufficient for that purpose, although admitting that he had done with the ring, or intention to restore it to her. The jury found him guilty, and he was sent to the Albany pentientlary for one year.

Marriages Dissolved.

Katie F. Burke, at 20 years of age, on Nov. 15, 1882, married with John Vosser, who was then 29 years old. In the bill the wife asserts that Vosser was a lumatic at the time of their marriage, but she was not aware of the fact, and now that he is hopelessly insane, and since Dec. 15, 1883, he has been confined in the incane asylum. Mrs. Vosser says that there is no other complaint made against her husband, but she does not wish to be bound by the bonds of marriage to an insane person during her whole life, and therefore applies for divorce, he my Casey also seeks for a severance of the matrimonial knot binding him with Ella Casey, charging that she descried him Dec. 5, 1883. L. V. Salter for describen. Mr. A. Browne is the solicitor. Marriages Dissolved.

lay heard Col. Beverly, of Virginia, president o the (Farmers' Congress, in advocacy of the exter don of the signal service system to the countr sion of the signal service system to the country districts. He proposed to make every telegraph office a signal station for the display of weather predictions, to be indicated by lantern at might and flags in the day time. He estimated the cest of the piant at \$25,000, and thought the annual expenditure after its establishment would be about a quarter of a million of dollars. The subject was referred to a subcommittee, of which Representative Stahlnecker is chairman.

EXECUTIVE INFORMATION.

J. P. Horbneh has been appointed postmaste Virginia Beach, Va. W. M. Champlain, a \$1,000 clerk in the su congeners a office, has been transferred to the general land office. Emil H. Boetler, of Arkansas, has been ointed to a \$000 clerkship in the first assi ostmater general's office.

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The President has appointed W. P. Tiighms Florida, to be consular cierk of the Unit

The hydrographic office has received a greamany testimonials to the effect that the method carrying off to subdue the waves in case of storm has been of great service, and it has taken means to extend the custom. Secretary Manning has made the following pointments in the light-house service: Hen Jorson, keeper at Seven-foot Knoll: Theo. Trockett, keeper at Love Point, and F. Buchter, keeper at Craightill Channel, Maryland

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